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WARSHIPS IN LINE.

English Squadron Ready to Back Consul's Protest.

RUSSIA MUST LEAVE KOREA ALONE.

Another Report Says a British Force Compelled Reinstatement of McLeavy Crowned Adviser to the Korean Customs, Who Had Been Dismissed.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—A special dispatch from Shanghai says:

"It is reported that 17 British warships are off Chemulpo, Korea, southwest of Seoul, supporting the British consul's protest, really amounting to an ultimatum, against the king's practically yielding the government of Korea into the hands of the Russian minister."

"The protest is specially directed against the dismissal of Mr. McLeavy Brown, British adviser to the Korean customs, in favor of the Russian nominee. The news has produced consternation at Seoul, which is heightened by the knowledge that Japan has a fleet of 30 warships awaiting the result of the British representation, that Japan fully supports. Japan is irritated by the arrival of Russian troops in Korea, and it is believed she will oppose them."

"According to advice from Tokyo, Japan has offered to assist the officers at Peking in drilling the Chinese army and to consent to a postponement of the payment of the war indemnity. Many of the viceroy's and Peking officials favor the proposal."

"According to a dispatch to The Daily Mail from Shanghai, it is reported there from reliable sources that a British force landed at Chemulpo on Saturday and caused the reinstatement of Mr. McLeavy Brown. The same dispatch refers to a native rumor that the union jack has been hoisted on an island in the mouth of the river Yang-tse-Kiang."

"The Peking correspondent of The Times says:

"The government refuses to place the Hkun under foreign control as security for the loan proposed by the Hongkong and Shanghai bank and asserts that unless the loan is procurable without this condition arrangements will forthwith be made for a Russian guaranteed 4 per cent loan of 100,000,000 taels, to be issued at 95 net."

"The security would be the land tax, which would remain under Chinese administration. China, in return, would give Russia a monopoly of the railways and mines north of the great wall, open a port as a terminus of the railway (transiberian) and would agree that a Russian should succeed Sir Robert Hart as director of Chinese imperial maritime customs. If these conditions should be permitted, British trade interests would suffer severely."

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STARVATION OR NOT?

Rather Conflicting Stories About the State of Things in Dawson City.

SKAGWAY, Alaska, via Seattle, Wash., Dec. 27.—John Lindsay of Olympia, Wash., who has just arrived from Dawson City, says there will surely be starvation there this winter. He examined into the food situation thoroughly, he says, and after satisfying himself that there would be starvation he sold his outfit and, in company with Frank Ballaine of Olympia, Wash., Tom Story of Victoria, B. C., and Bob Glynn of Seattle, started out on foot, each man drawing a sled carrying about 100 pounds of provisions.

Lindsay says the Dawson people believe that there is no great amount of food at Fort Yukon, as has been alleged. The river rose sufficiently and remained open long enough to enable food supply to have been brought from Fort Yukon had there been any there.

Lindsay says the output of the mines will be greatly curtailed this winter because of the scarcity of food and light. Coal oil sold for \$15 a gallon and candles are as high as \$150 a box of 100. Even if men were able to work their claims they cannot get light to do so.

These statements are borne out by all the returning Klondikers, quite a number of whom have reached here the past week. Few of them, however, take a gloomy view of the situation as does Mr. Lindsay.

Dr. D. L. Bradley of Roseburg, Or., says that food is scarce, but he does not think that there will be actual starvation. Neither do W. B. King of Merced, Calif., P. J. Holland of Butte, Thomas Story of Victoria or Robert Glynn of Seattle, all of whom reached here last week from Dawson.

CAME TO PORT AFIRE.

Crew of British Steamer Fight the Flames Forty Hours Without Rest.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Dec. 27.—The British steamer Lambert's Point, Captain Humphreys, seven days from Norfolk, Va., for Liverpool, with cattle, cotton, grain and a general cargo, has arrived here with her consort on fire and the ship in a bad state.

On Tuesday afternoon the fire was discovered in the compartment amidships. It gained headway rapidly. Holes were cut in the cabin flooring, pipes inserted and the compartment flooded with steam and water. The captain headed the vessel for this port, and for 40 hours nobody rested, all hands battling the fire, which, steadily gaining, spread to the forward compartment.

It then became necessary to flood this, which gave the ship a list of 17 degrees to the starboard. She met terrible weather in trying to reach here. Her sides and deck were almost unbearable with heat, and the provisions were all spoiled by steam and smoke. The paint is now peeling off her sides, while gangs of men are landing the cattle, almost maddened with heat.

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CANALS COME HIGH.

What Improvements In New York State Will Cost.

ENGINEER ADAMS SAYS \$16,000,000.

He Presents an Exhaustive Report Accounting For This Sum and Stating That the Work Has Been as Rapidly Pressed as Possible.

ALBANY, Dec. 27.—State Engineer and Surveyor Campbell W. Adams, in response to an inquiry from R. R. Heford, chairman of the executive canal committee of the chambers of commerce of the state, regarding the present status of the work of improving the canals of the state, has made a report to that body on the subject in question, which has been approved by Superintendent George W. Aldridge of the state department of public works.

This report shows that it will take at least \$16,000,000 to improve the entire canal system in the state on the lines begun under the \$9,000,000 improvement act, which amount is considered in the total mentioned above.

Total amount of engineer's estimates for all contracts, \$14,448,462; total amount of advertising and inspection paid, \$147,079; total amount of engineering expenses, \$512,000; for expenses not in original estimate and difference between engineer's estimates and contract prices, \$9,000,000; total, \$16,000,000. Deduct amount appropriated for canal improvement by chapter 226, laws of 1895, \$7,500,000. Total estimate, \$8,500,000.

Several tables accompany the report showing in detail the lengths of the various parts of the work and the portions already provided for and the features of cost of every contract, whether awarded or not. These tables show that of the 44 miles of work involved 307 are now under contract. Of this amount 250 miles is on the Erie, 22 miles on the Oswego and 25 miles on the Champlain canal.

The whole work has been divided into 125 contracts, for which the engineer's estimates call for \$14,448,462, which is divided between the three canals as follows: Erie canal, \$11,021,125; Champlain canal, \$1,599,074; Oswego canal, \$1,828,263. Seventy-three of these contracts have been awarded for \$7,121,512, or \$244,108 less than the engineer's estimates. Eleven of these contracts are completed and have cost \$701,094, which is \$59,451 in excess of the engineer's estimates. The salient points of the report may be summarized as follows:

1. That no surveys for such improvement of the canals as is now under way had ever been made up to 1896.

2. That the estimated cost of this improvement as submitted to the constitutional convention in 1894 was prepared in 12 days, and was therefore well known and stated to be practically mere guesswork.

3. That the careful surveys and estimates made in 1896 from a thorough examination of the 44 miles of canals to be improved showed that the probable cost of such improvement was about \$16,000,000.

4. That an unsuccessful effort was then made to cut out work to bring the cost within the appropriated \$9,000,000.

5. That the impossibility of using a large portion of the excavated material for use on the banks of the canals, as originally contemplated, very greatly increased the cost.

6. That during the progress of the work of excavation the unpreventable decay of old dilapidated and tottering walls and structures necessitated new construction and increased quantities at large additional expense.

7. That contracts have already been let for the completion of about two-thirds of the proposed improvement, which portion it is expected will have been completed at the opening of navigation in 1898. The estimated cost at contract prices of this two-thirds of the work aggregates \$7,121,512, though this covers two-thirds of the length and not the volume of the whole work.

8. The contracts already let cover what are believed to be the most difficult portions of the proposed improvement.

9. That approximately \$7,000,000 additional will be required to complete the improvement.

10. That with that sum available we believe the entire improvement can probably be completed at the opening of navigation in 1899.

11. That the progress made to date has been as rapid as was consistent with other conditions, and that the whole work might have been under contract now had sufficient funds been available.

12. That contractors are required by law to bid upon a definite character and quantity of work, and that they are finally paid for the actual amount of work performed at the contract prices. Under this plan the state always pays for the work actually done for it—no more, no less.

Well Known Manufacturer Dead.

ROYALSTON, Mass., Dec. 27.—Colonel George Whitney, a prominent manufacturer of this town, died yesterday, after a month's illness. He was born here in 1817. After being some years engaged in the lumber and chair business he at length became interested in the manufacture of woollen and continued it until his death. He served three years in the lower branch of the legislature, twice in the senate and was for five years a member of the executive council, while for 14 years he was an active member of the militia. He leaves a widow and one son.

Killed For Too Much Gallantry.

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Frank Payo was murdered by Alfonso Lombardi, an Italian, living in the same apartment house. Lombardi, it is said, was jealous of Payo for alleged attentions of the latter to the former's wife. Lombardi escaped.

POLICE USED SWORDS.

Serious Riot In Havana Results In Many Arrests.

GOMEZ AND SUGAR CASE GRINDING.

Congressman King of Utah Now In Cuba. Report That Insurgents Have Hanged More Commissioners—The Spanish Press Demands More Warships.

HAVANA, via Key West, Dec. 27.—The Christmas saturnalia was brought to a close by a serious riot, which was quelled by the police, who used their swords.

In accordance with their custom the Spanish population gathered in the Parque Central to celebrate Christmas by dancing and singing songs peculiar to various provinces of Spain. Almost all were armed with knives and clubs, fights being frequent between groups from different provinces. A large force of police was present, but there was no interference with the festivities until from drinking aquardiente, and hostile cries were raised.

"Death to Americans!" "Down with autonomy!" "Down with Blanco!" "Viva Weyler!" "Viva los Voluntarios!" were some of the cries. Then the police closed in, and a squadron of mounted gendarmes, drawn up in front of the German club, charged with drawn sabers.

A panic ensued, the mob, in which were many women, fleeing in every direction, but the crowd was hemmed in on all sides by the police, mounted and on foot, who struck out savagely with their swords. This continued until the mob was thoroughly cowed, many being wounded, and then the police formed a cordon around the square and proceeded to make prisoners of the ringleaders of the demonstration.

Over 200 prisoners were marched to the prefecture. Among them were many officers of the volunteers. On four of the officers were found bundles of circulars declaring Spain's honor had been compromised by granting autonomy and calling on all loyal Spaniards to resist to the utmost. Copies of these circulars were also found scattered in the streets.

It is reported that General Gomez is again in the saddle and using all efforts to prevent the grinding of cane. Work on sugar estates is practically suspended. The proprietors of the Garacas estate, the second largest sugar plantation in the world, have been notified that the slightest attempt to grind will be the signal for the total destruction of this valuable property. The Spanish troops are chiefly in garrisoned towns and are unable to afford adequate protection. Six estates in Havana province were burned last week.

Last evening Captain General Blanco gave a banquet to the officers of the German corvette Stein. Forty guests were present, including the Spanish admiral, the mayor of Havana and other naval and civil authorities. Congressman William Henry King of Utah has arrived here.

Reports from Pinar del Rio to the authorities here say that two commissioners who were sent to propose peace with autonomy to the insurgents in that province have been hanged in conformity with the decree of General Gomez.

Urges More Warships For Spain.

MADRID, Dec. 27.—El Imparcial urges that in view of the character of the reply of the United States Minister Woodford to the note of the Spanish government, received last Friday, in answer to the first communication of this American government through him, it is necessary to increase the Spanish fleet as against the eventuality of a conflict with the United States.

El Herald says: "The encroachments of the United States upon the internal politics of Spain have become intolerable and must be resisted energetically. The situation is difficult, but at whatever cost the government ought to put an end to a shameful state of affairs for the sake of the dignity of Spain."

The Convicts Proved Ungrateful.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27.—One enterprise of the Salvation Army for the reformation of convicts has proved a failure. The Prison Gate home in Contra Costa county has been abandoned after an existence of less than one year. The ingratitude and treachery of the inmates were too great for the Salvationists to deal with, and they concluded to give up the attempt, temporarily at least, particularly as all their energies are needed to make a success of their big best sugar colony near Soledad.

Ex-Senator Bowen's Son Killed.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 27.—L. P. Bowen was killed at Tappanville, Mont., yesterday by being run over by a train. He was a son of ex-United States Senator Thomas Bowen of Colorado. Ten years ago he came to Montana to become mining editor on the Helena Journal, conducted by Russell R. Harrison. Since the failure of that paper, in 1892, he had been engaged in newspaper work in various parts of the state.

City Mailed For Bonds.

SIOUX FALLS, Dec. 27.—Judge Garland of the federal court has entered a decree of judgment against the city of Huron for \$50,000 and interest in a suit brought by the holder of school bonds to recover their face value. The town of Huron sought to repudiate payment, claiming the bonds were illegally issued because the legal amount of indebtedness had been exceeded. The bonds were held by eastern banks.

The Ice Proved Treacherous.

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 27.—Freddie Welch of Millbury, 11 years old, was drowned while skating on the Blackstone river in Millbury. A companion had a narrow escape.

LEITER TURNS MINER.

Father of Young Wheat Plunger Will Seek Gold in the Northwest.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Levi Z. Leiter is out for gold as well as wheat, and on a scale that is likely to eclipse any previous operations in the Northwest territory. It is announced that Mr. Leiter, the Canadian Pacific railway, John W. Mackay, Ogden Mills and the Duke of Teck are associated for the purpose of hunting for gold.

Mr. Leiter, who is here to aid his son Joseph in his great wheat deal, admitted that the report was true. He said he was not familiar with the details, but that operations would be conducted on a large scale and on valuable concessions in the Northwest territory secured by H. Maitland Kersey, former agent of the White Star steamship line, who was familiar with the country and had had experience in mining. He also said that there were others interested in the plan, some of whom were of high standing and great influence in England.

The details have been left entirely to Mr. Kersey, who has had the properties in question in his eye for some time.

"I believe," said Mr. Leiter, "he has had excellent opportunities for satisfying himself as to their value, and I should judge from what he has said to me that they are promising. He is about to leave for Europe for the purpose of completing some business arrangements in connection with pushing his plans, and upon his return he will carry them into effect with as little delay as possible."

COSGRAVE DEAD.

Ex-Champion of Amateur Athletes Succumbs to an Operation.

ALBANY, Dec. 27.—John Cosgrave, the well known athlete, died in the City hospital after an operation for appendicitis. He was a member of the New Jersey Athletic club, the Ridgefield Athletic club and the Tenth Battalion Athletic association of the national guard. Cosgrave won the all around athletic championship of America in 1895 and finished second to Clark of Boston in this year's competition. Cosgrave's work has always been considered of the highest order, and in all around work in the athletic field and the sack he had few superiors.

His amateur standing was recently questioned, but the registration committee of the Amateur Athletic union threw the charges out as being absolutely without foundation. His affiliation with the New Jersey Athletic club or anyone had won for him friends in and about New York, where he was accorded the distinction of being the best athlete in the central part of the state.

Beethoven Manuscript Discovered.

DRESDEN, Dec. 27.—The composer Reinhold Becker recently discovered in the library of the Society of Music Lovers in Vienna a piece of music in Beethoven's writing. It proved to be a setting of Goethe's "Erl Koenig," which was composed by Beethoven in 1810. The melody is beautiful. The music has just been published in Leipzig.

Vain Petition For a Murderer.

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—The petition for the mitigation of the sentence of death imposed upon James O'Neil of Shelburne Falls, convicted of the murder of Mrs. McCloud on Jan. 8 last, is in the hands of Governor Wolcott, but his excellency states that unless the petition has some stronger backing the law will be allowed to take its course.

Killed For Throwing a Stone.

CHATTANOOGA, Dec. 27.—Deputy Sheriff Stanton McWilliams shot and killed Edley Heard at Dunlap, Tenn. The deputy had arrested Heard, a brother, who had disturbed a church festival. Edley Heard met the deputy later and threw a stone at him, whereupon McWilliams resented the assault with his revolver with fatal result.

Wants a Slice of Greenland.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—A dispatch to The Daily Mail from Copenhagen says that the United States has made overtures to Denmark for the purchase of a narrow strip of land in southwest Greenland. The dispatch adds that the United States contemplates the establishment of a coal station there without delay.

Huntington Buys a Mexican Railroad.

CITIZEN PORTFOLIO DIAZ, Mexico, Dec. 27.—The Cuban railway, which runs from Altat to Cuban on the Pacific coast, has just been purchased by Mr. Collis P. Huntington. The Mexican international road, of which Mr. Huntington is president, is to be immediately extended from Durango to Cuban.

Shot the Conductor Dead.

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Dec. 27.—Four men held up a trolley car last night and shot the conductor dead, but were beaten off by the bravery of the uniformed men, who, despite the drawing of a revolver by one of the men, knocked him down and frightened the others away. They got no plunder of any description.

Death of Carnegie's Aunt.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Catherine Morrison Hogan, only aunt of Andrew Carnegie, is dead as the result of a stroke of paralysis. She had been in a semiconscious state since Dec. 10. Mrs. Hogan was born in Dunfermline, Scotland, 86 years ago.

Court Official and Mason Dead.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 27.—O. S. Long, clerk of the state supreme court and lieutenant grand commander of the Scottish Rite Masonry for the southern jurisdiction of the United States, died here last night after a short illness.

Murder Follows a Quarrel.

CHATTANOOGA, Dec. 27.—Will and John Livingston, brothers, of Blount County, Ala., quarreled while drinking, and the former shot the latter to death. The murderer is 18 years of age and is now in jail in Birmingham.

Died Worth a Million.

PASSAIC, N. J., Dec. 27.—Moses Edison Worthen, 60 years of age, one of the leading men of affairs in this city, died yesterday of typhoid fever. He leaves an estate said to be worth \$1,600,000.

FRAUD OF MILLIONS.

Postal Department Said to Be Heavily Swindled.

INCORRECT WEIGHING OF THE MAILS.

Charge Brought That Railroads Carrying Postal Matter Manipulate to Make It Appear They Transport More Than Is Really the Case.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—A morning paper publishes an article this morning claiming that the United States government is annually being robbed of between \$5,000,000 and \$8,000,000. The postal department is the loser, it asserts, and the railroads transporting the mails are the gainers.

Vast swindling schemes, it is alleged, are continually carried on when the time comes to weigh the mails prior to signing contracts for the four years next to come. These schemes are protected by the law. Loopholes making them possible have been found to exist, but the government has been powerless to check the abuse. This fraud in connection with the transportation of the mails has led to an increasing annual postal deficit where there should be a surplus.

It cost \$125 per mile for transportation in 1883 and \$160 in 1887. The annual postal revenues of the country have increased \$53,000,000 since 1880. The expenditures have increased \$38,000,000 and the annual deficit increased from \$2,200,000 to \$11,000,000. In the same time the population of the country has increased 40 per cent, and the amount paid for transportation of the mails more than trebled.

The largest item of all is the transportation of the mails. This is calculated entirely by weight, and the rate is fixed by law. For hauling 200 pounds of mail one mile every day for a year the government pays \$12.75. For greater weights the rate per pound rapidly diminishes.

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DOGS FOR THE KLONDIKE.

Are Being Gathered in All the Large Cities.

The Klondike will open up a new field of usefulness for the dog. In Seattle an enterprise is on foot to establish a dog nursery, where the animals will be trained for the Alaska service and then sent there and sold to the miners. It is believed that the dogs will solve the vexed problem of transportation, says the New York Journal.

Ex-Mayor Black and J. B. Powles, of Seattle, who are behind the enterprise, are gathering dogs in Chicago, St. Paul and other cities. The first carload of 220 picked animals has already arrived in Seattle. They have been gathered with a view of doing packing and sled driving over the Alaska trails. No spaniels or other sporting dogs have been secured, but only the hard-footed, long-haired breeds, that will weigh from 60 to 70 pounds each.

"Our object," said Mr. Powles, "in bringing the dogs to Seattle now is to give them a good training. They will be placed in charge of Oscar Jones, who has charge of the Seattle kennels. We expect to sell the dogs, and house and train them from now until spring, fitting harness to them, breaking them to drive, and in every way training them so they can be used as soon as they reach the trails. We have brought them in thus early in the season to avoid risks of cold weather. We expect to bring a carload from Philadelphia soon, and in all will have four or five carloads."

CAUGHT IN HIS OWN TREE.

A Man of Family Pride Who Met with a Surprise.

A Washington man who prides himself upon his family connections is just recovering from an attack of nervous prostration, says the Star. This man lately became possessed of the idea of constructing a family tree, feeling assured he could produce a growth that would dwarf the giants of the California forests into insignificance. He began on one branch of his family, and soon struck Miles Standish, from whom he ran various shoots and offshoots, with many a feeling of pride. With renewed interest he went to work on another branch of his growing tree, and had gone back but four generations when he was amazed to strike a great-grandfather who had died from strangulation brought on by a rope encircling his throat, his death occurring in the presence of a large gathering of curious people, who had taken a day off during harvest time in order to see the hanging. By this time the man of family pride had become intensely disgusted with genealogical investigations, but all that his friends knew of his disappointment was the fact that he remained away from the busy haunts of his fellows for several weeks, and the family physician gave out the information that he was the victim of a severe case of nervous prostration.

"THEATER SICKNESS."

A New Disease Discovered by a French Physician.

"Theater sickness" is the name of the new disease recently discovered by the eminent French physician, Dr. Morticole, which is at present a topic of a good deal of discussion in scientific and lay circles in Paris. The doctor declares that "theater sickness" and sea sickness resemble one another, take their victims entirely unawares, and prey especially on women. The symptoms consist of giddiness, loss of consciousness, a deep faint, and in perverse cases the malady causes death. It seizes a victim after he has gazed long at the stage, and more commonly in tragedy than in comedy, and, in brief, it constitutes a species of asphyxia. When men feel "theater sickness" coming on they become, according to Dr. Morticole, oblivious to all considerations of locality and put their heads between their knees, while women feel an inclination to recline with their feet at an acute angle above their heads, so excessive is the vertigo. Fortunately, cases of "theater sickness" are as yet the exception rather than the rule. A theater where all the men's heads would be bowed down between their knees, and where all the women were to have their feet in the air, would furnish a strange mixture of the mournful and of the hilarious.

COSTERS' ENGLISH.

At Least It Is Supposed to Be English, But It Doesn't Look Like It.

English costers have a language of their own. There is nothing very remarkable about it, its chief characteristic being a palpable kind of back spelling, says the Brit.

In money matters a coster will speak of a halfpenny as a "flat," while "gen" is a shilling; but "cash guy" is eight shillings. "Couter" means a coverglass, "t. e. e. e." passes for a farthing, and a crown being given the somewhat unpronounceable term, "flatchy nork."

A curious method of expressing multiples is shown by "erthawd pons," meaning 15 shillings. "A doughnut" means "a good market," "dabbled," a bad one, "A regular trosseno" stands for "a regular bad one."

"Yes" and "no" are represented by "no" and "ay." "Thank you for bakin'" expresses "understand you." "Flash it" signifies "show it." "Cross chap" means a thief. "Showfals" is an equivalent for bad money.

"Do the tightest" is a very expressive term, the derivation of which is not difficult to understand and means "go to dinner." "Nodders" stands for "the off," and "toll" is "change."

Misconstrued.

Coldwater—I was never drunk in all my life.

Col. Bourler (sighing)—Death me, huh! Ah! you don't look like a man that could stand much, huh!—N. Y. Journal.

"KINE TO EVRYBUDDIE"

The Odd Inscription on a Kentucky Tombstone.

"I saw a rude, roughly hewn stone above a grave on an eastern Kentucky hillside a few weeks since," said a state insurance solicitor to a reporter for the Louisville Evening Post, "that was placed there before monument-makers flourished in that part of Kentucky. There were but two graves in the little, unfenced spot, and they were in the center of a sassafras thicket. This old stone, over which the ivy had crept, well nigh blotting out the inscription, bore these words, which seemed to have been chiseled by a trembling fingered novice: 'Jane Laler, ded Agus, 1840. She wuz allus kine to evrybuddie.' I thought as I stood there by the weed-crested mound of what a world of meaning there was in those few simple words: 'She wuz allus kine to evrybuddie.' When I shall have composed my weary limbs for the last sleep I would ask no greater boon than that such a complacent might truthfully be placed on the tomb above my silent form. It was no different from any of the chiseled platitudes one sees in large cemeteries. I wondered what loving heart could have inspired it, and stopped to ask about the woman whose gentle life could merit so tender a tribute. Nobody on either side of the mountains knew much of the Lawler family, but one old mountaineer said he had been told the woman was the wife of an old woodsman who lived and hunted on Mount Elkhorn in the first half of the present century. The pained hand of the loving husband doubtless traced the last testimonial of reverence."

WENT TO JAIL FOR LOVE.

Woman Takes All the Blame for a Murder Her Piance Committed.

The supreme court of Mexico has asked President Diaz to pardon Maria Montesillos, who, some time ago, was sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment in Belem jail for a murder she never committed. The crime for which she is suffering punishment was the killing of Pascual Montafio, in a family quarrel. Miss Montesillos' lover, Piquito Torres, was the real murderer, but because she loved him Maria was willing to take the penalty. She took all the blame for the murder and during the preliminary inquiry by the third criminal judge, and afterward at the trial by jury, stoutly maintained that she, and she alone, was responsible for the death of Montafio, whom she had killed, she said, to free herself from his constant courtship and dishonorable propositions. Torres, therefore, got off scot free, and the woman, as the murder was considered to have been committed under aggravated circumstances, was sentenced to 20 years in prison, a sentence which she cheerfully accepted. But Torres, when he got out, was unfaithful, and jealousy then proved too much for Maria when she learned of this. She presented the clearest proof that she was innocent and Torres guilty, and showed letters from him to that effect. Her first attempt to secure relief was made before the superior tribunal and was unsuccessful, but the supreme court has just set aside that decision and asked President Diaz to grant her freedom.

SHED THEIR TEETH.

A Peculiarity About the Muskellunge Fish.

A few weeks ago I advanced what was to me the curious information regarding the shedding of its teeth by the muskellunge during the summer months, says a writer in Forest and Stream. I now have confirmation on the matter advanced at that by Mr. H. L. Stanton, of Chicago, and I believe the phenomenon properly to be regarded as established. Mr. Stanton's observations were made in Wisconsin, and his original informant had seen the phenomenon in Canada. Now comes Mr. H. C. McCartney, of Chicago, who has observed the same thing in the waters of Cass and Itasca counties of Minnesota. Mr. McCartney says that last spring in May and June the teeth of all the muskellunge taken in Woman lake and adjacent waters were sound and normal. On July 10 he examined fish which showed jaws red and inflamed, and with some of the teeth missing. In August still more teeth were found to be absent in specimens examined. In late August and in September it was the rule that no teeth at all would be found in the mouths of the muskellunge taken. The muskellunge taken in October and showed perfect teeth. Mr. McCartney intends to keep a record on this matter next year. He does not know whether the teeth are shed yearly or not, but knows that they are shed sometimes.

Production of Ozone.

The progress in the construction and working of ozone generators has lately been such that ozone can now be produced in large quantities continuously, and the industrial application of ozone can, therefore, be carried on now at a relatively low cost and on a large scale. Impure water can be rendered wholesome and drinkable by means of ozone, which in the presence of water acts as a very powerful bactericide.

Natural Inference.

N. Peck My wife hasn't spoke a cross word to me for two weeks. Better shaves—When is she coming back?—Indianapolis Journal.

Not Pleasant.

He—Ah, now! If I were only to think twice whenever I spoke, I should be— She—You would be what they call a mute.—All's Slopers.

No Sunday Labor in Russia.

Under a new law which is in Russia labor upon Sunday and on the 11 great feast days of the Greek calendar is to be severely punished. Hours of labor are restricted to eight for children and 11 for adults, and to ten hours on Saturday.



THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY,

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Genuine
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The best Washing Powder made. Best for all cleaning, does the work quickly, cheaply and thoroughly.

Largest package—greatest economy.

TOMPKINS' NEW DRY GOODS STORE, Nos 6-8 East Main Street, Middletown. From Now Until Christmas Day, Grand Sale of Toys and Holiday Gifts for All.

Our store in its Holiday Dress is like a glimpse of Fairyland. Magnificent display and tempting novelties attract the eye of the visitor. Holiday gifts are grouped in rich assortments all over the place, with immense assortments of stock, extra salespeople, everything to make holiday shopping with us a comfort as well as an economy, has been done. We point with pride to our splendid selections of goods suitable for Holiday Gifts for young and old, and to the alluring low prices at which we are able to sell them.

DOLLS.

A Beauty Show—

Our Doll Exhibit is incomparably superior to any exhibition you may have formed from what you see elsewhere.

Dressed Dolls and Dolls to Dress

of all varieties and compositions. No description can do them justice. All of our dolls and dolls to dress. Note these prices, much lower than elsewhere. Here are a few price hints:

500 China Dolls Each 3c.

12c China Dolls each 7c. 2c Dressed Dolls each 15c. 50c Kid Body Dolls, bisex and novelties, each 35c; 50c Dressed Dolls each 35c; 50c Dressed Dolls and Kid Body Dolls each 75c.

One Thing

We want to say here. While we have a reasonably large quantity of everything advertised here, we are sure you will find everything advertised here.

TOYS.

The Most Substantial Toys for Children are those made of Malleable Iron. At Tompkins' you will buy them much lower than elsewhere. Toys for Sale 10c and 15c, worth 15c to 25c. Tin Stoves, with furniture, 5c and 10c, worth 10c and 15c. Tin Kitchens, with furniture, 10c and 15c, worth 15c and 20c. Fire Engines, Horse and Driver value 35c, at 15c. Big Iron State Banks 25c and 45c. Iron Ranges 25c and 45c. A few very large ones \$1.50. Big Iron Wagon 15c. Iron Passenger Trains, 5c size, 5c. Shoo Fly Baby's Rocking Horse, the kind that cannot fall over. Curd Games of all kinds 5c and 10c. China and Porcelain, nicely decorated and put up in strong boxes. The first, tall, wood, or brass, all prices. Toy Pianos in every style.

Other Toys.

Doll Cradles, large ones, 10, 15, 25c. Black boards 25, 35c; with changeable figures 75c. Tool chests 25, 50c and higher. Wooden Hay Carts, with handles, 10c. Buggy Counting Sticks 10c and 25c. Toy Wheelbarrows 10c. Doll Stings 15c. Nine Pins, per set, 10, 25, 50c. Bubbles, Rattles, Bows, Tops, Trumpets, Child's Sets, consisting of knife, fork and spoon, 10c and 15c. Shoo Fly Baby's Rocking Horse, the kind that cannot fall over. Curd Games of all kinds 5c and 10c. China and Porcelain, nicely decorated and put up in strong boxes. The first, tall, wood, or brass, all prices. Toy Pianos in every style.

How Beautiful the Store Looks in Its Holiday Attire.

Every section crisscrossed up to look its prettiest. Everywhere you chance to glance something new. A stroll through the store will prove an hour's enjoyable entertainment.

A Great Handkerchief Sale.

It is said of a great physician, by one of his patients: "He always attends to my case as if he had only one case to think of." We aim to sell Handkerchiefs as if we sold nothing else, and we don't know of another in our line where it is done like this one. In holiday time Handkerchiefs prove the whole store at prices astonishingly low.

At 3c Each.

200 dozen colored border, hem stitched Handkerchiefs.

At 5c Each.

Embroidered, plain hem stitched and lace edge Handkerchiefs.

At 10c Each.

Five plain white, hem stitched beautiful Swiss embroidered and men's or ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs.

At 12 1/2c Each.

Ladies' elegant fine Swiss embroidered, men's imitation silk, initial Handkerchiefs.

At 15c Each.

Ladies' fine initial hem stitched Handkerchiefs, ladies' silk, hem stitched Handkerchiefs, ladies' fine Swiss embroidered Handkerchiefs.

At 25c Each.

Ladies' very fine embroidered Handkerchiefs, worth 35c.

At 40c Each.

Ladies' all linen beautiful embroidered Handkerchiefs, and silk initial Handkerchiefs, beautiful goods and worth 50c each.

Christmas Gloves.

You've heard of the old lady who knit mittens and said she lost on every pair. How could she do it? Couldn't she, only that she sold so many. That's not far from true with our Christmas Gloves.

Child's Kid Mittens.

Nicely lined fur tops, 50c a pair.

Ladies' Fine Kid Gloves

or Mittens, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c, 55c, 60c, 65c, 70c, 75c, 80c, 85c, 90c, 95c, 1.00.

Ladies' Fine Silk Mittens

1.00.

Holiday Umbrellas.

A most suitable Christmas present. Nowhere can you buy them at these prices. Umbrellas with fancy canopies, Wood Celluloid and Dresden handles \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$3.00 each.

Silks and Dress Goods.

A standard holiday gift for ladies. The one thing that you cannot make a mistake on, for there isn't a woman in the land who would not appreciate a handsome new dress. Tompkins' Silk and Dress Goods Department is replete with beautiful goods, and the prices throughout are very much lower than goods of equal excellence can be bought elsewhere.

THE
H-O Co.'s
Dairy Feed

FOR SALE BY

WOOD & HORTON.

TELEPHONE 202.

112 Genung St., N. Y. S. & W. R. R.

MIDDLETOWN TIME TABLES.

Erle Railroad Co.

Trains leave from Middletown Stations, beginning Nov. 28, 1897, and continuing until further notice, as follows:
Trains marked with * run daily. Trains Nos. 601, 625, 606, 617, 620 and 621 run Sundays only. All other trains except Sunday. Train Nos. 1 & 4 will stop only for passengers for Birmingham or West thereof—their destination must be given at the ticket office. Trains with the following letters affixed indicate connection, viz: "G" with Newburg Branch via Greyhound; "T" with Newburg Short-cut Branch via Turners; "A" with Newburgh short cut via Andover; "M" with Montgomery Branch, and "P" with Pine Island Branch.

GOING EAST.

No.	Station	Time
12	Chicago Ex.	4:49 a.m.
10	New York Special	6:01 " "
86	Middletown Way	6:30 " "
16	Orange Co. Ex. G. M.	7:10 " "
28	Mountain Ex.	8:23 " "
98	Del. Val. Ex. (M. P.)	10:45 " "
6	W. Mail (except Sat.)	12:25 p.m.
80	Way. A. M. P. G.	4:10 " "
2	C. & G. T. Ex. (A.)	5:00 " "
8	C. & S. Ex. (M. P.)	5:25 " "
22	P. J. Local (T.)	7:26 " "
14	Wells Fargo Express	10:40 " "
608	P. J. Local (Sun. only)	5:03 p.m.
609	P. J. Local (Sun. only)	5:03 p.m.
18	Milk (Sunday only)	6:55 p.m.

GOING WEST.

No.	Station	Time
17	Milk	6:47 a.m.
31	Port Jervis Way	10:36 " "
1	Day Express	11:06 " "
9	Corning Express	11:25 " "
11	Port Jervis Local	1:04 p.m.
88	Port Jervis Exp.	3:40 " "
22	Mountain Ex.	4:42 " "
97	Mountain Exp.	6:42 " "
16	Orange Co. Exp.	6:45 " "
25	Middletown Way	8:05 " "
7	C. & S. Ex. (M. P.)	8:23 " "
29	Way	9:13 " "
3	Chi. Exp.	11:12 " "
62	Sunday Local	10:55 a.m.
625	P. J. Way (Sun. only)	3:05 p.m.
617	" "	10:29 " "

Passenger trains for Middletown leave foot of Chamber street, New York, at 4:50, 7:45, 9:15, 10:30 a.m.; 1:00, 2:30, 4:30, 6:30, 7:50, 9:40 p.m. Also additional Sunday trains at 7:45, a.m. 12:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Crawford Branch.

GOING NORTH.

No.	Station	Time
10	Pine Bush Mail	11:55 a.m.
115	" "	11:40 a.m.
601	Sun. only	11:00 " "

GOING SOUTH.

No.	Station	Time
128	Arrive from Pine Bush	8:15 a.m.
130	" "	8:45 p.m.

N. Y. C. & W. R. R.

Trains leave Wickham avenue depot, Middletown, 4 follows:

No.	Station	Time
9	First Mill	7:45 a.m.
11	Sund. Ex. (M. P.)	8:20 p.m.
22	Ontario Express	10:55 a.m.
7	Sullivan County Express	6:15 p.m.
3	Pacific Express	8:45 p.m.
21	Local	11:00 a.m.

Trains leave Wickham avenue depot for New York as follows:

No.	Station	Time
2	Mountain Express	8:10 a.m.
9	First Mill	8:20 p.m.
22	New York Express	4:30 p.m.
12	First Mill	4:30 p.m.
10	Second Mill	4:30 p.m.
6	Atlantic Express	4:30 p.m.

Trains leave New York at 8:10 and 7:40 a.m., 8:00 and 6:00 p.m.

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Our Customers

We take great pleasure in showing our complete stock of Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Opera Glasses, etc., in the latest designs and patterns of the most reliable manufacture. Also we have something that will please the eye and pocketbook in the line of Silver Novelties, Toilet Sets, Cut Glass Jars, Gold Pens, Pocketbooks and hundreds of articles which we can show you better than tell about.

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50 North St., Next to Press Office

COLLECTOR'S NOTICE.

State and County Tax.

Notice is hereby given, as required by statute, to the taxable lands and property of the City of Middletown, N. Y., that the undersigned, Collector of Taxes, in and for said city, has received the warrant for the collection of State and County Taxes for the current year, and will attend at the City Clerk's office, Room No. 2, Times Building corner of King and Center streets, on each working day of the week (Saturdays afternoons and holidays excepted) from 10 o'clock a.m. to 4 p.m., Dec. 17, 1897, until Jan. 22, 1898, from 9 o'clock in the forenoon until 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving payment of said taxes.

E. M. HAMILTON, Collector.

Dated Middletown, N. Y., Dec. 16th, 1897.

23rd Dec.

FOR SALE.

The property of B. F. Todd, 54 East avenue. Dwelling contains 13 rooms, with all modern improvements, including steam heat, good barn and carriage house. Large yard and abundance of fruit. Easy terms.

GARDNER & McWILLIAMS,

25 North St., Lipfield Building

FOR SALE!

Very desirable House and Lot on Linden Terrace, fine property on Orchard street, choice Building Lots on Bennett Hill. Other well located properties.

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Real Estate and Insurance

No. 15 North St., Middletown

What is More

Than a pretty face with complexion? For it, no

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X-Mas Presents FREE To the Public TRADING STAMPS.

They are a cash discount given by enterprising merchants that want your trade. ALWAYS ASK FOR THEM. We have stores in all the leading cities of the country. Our stamps are interchangeable, and will be redeemed at any of our stores. They are good everywhere. We are the originators of the Trading Stamps, and have over \$500,000 invested.

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Not for one year, but for many. If you have a grain of common sense you will get your Christmas Presents for nothing.

The following have already received their presents absolutely free

Mrs. I. C. Humphrey, Woodlawn avenue, Solid Oak Upholstered Rocker.

Mrs. E. H. Russell, Oriental Hotel, Onyx Table.

Mrs. Brennan, No. 3 Lyon street, Solid Oak Upholstered Rocker.

Casino Theatre

Monday Ev'g, Dec 27th.

The Society Event—America's Representative Prima Donna Comedienne,

DOROTHY MORTON

and her own company in the delightful musical comedy,

Miss Brevity

Hong Kong.

NEW and Beautiful Scenery and Elegant Costumes and Catchy Music.

Casino Theatre

Tuesday Ev'g, Jan. 4th.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN'S

Big Comedy and Vaudeville Co.

THE MUSICAL FARCE,

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30 VAUDEVILLE STARS

Casino Theatre

New Year's Eve, Friday, Dec. 31.

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MASQUERADE BALL!

Will Take Place on the Above Night. This ball will comprise anything of the kind ever attempted in Orange county.

1000 IN PRESENTS WILL BE GIVEN AWAY. READ THEM.

To the Lady Wearing the Finest Costume, a

Head-dress, a pair of gloves, a pair of shoes, a

To the Gentleman Wearing the Most Elaborate

Costume, a pair of gloves, a pair of shoes, a

To the Lady Wearing the Most Gaudy Costume,

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UP THE MIDLAND.

The Acid Business in the Dumps—Rockland's High Taxes—A Big Land Owner—Concealing Bear Meat—Chance for a Barrel Factory—Good Prices for Milk—Rector Howell's Troubles.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The acid business is not booming by any means and those who work for the factories, who were induced to vote for McKinley at the last presidential election in hopes of better wages, are now thinking what dampfools they were as they chop wood for seventy-five or eighty cents a cord.

—Taxes are high in Rockland: in fact that town is only second on the list. When Rockland's Commissioner of Highways sells a bridge for \$50 to Leighton that the interested would have willingly paid \$400 for to use as a private bridge it's no wonder taxes pile up.

—Leighton, the acid king, owns more land than any other man in the State. He is now connecting by telephone all of his acid factories with his store at Cooks Falls. This will save him a great deal of travel. He will also open a butcher shop in the spring and supply the people of that section and all of his workmen with fresh meat at fair living prices as he has an extensive farm surrounding his acid factory at Methol, three miles south of the railroad station.

—Bear meat is nothing to brag about and those who have once eaten it don't hanker after more. One good sized bear is enough for any small city to eat at one time. There are lots of old settlers up here who have eaten more bear and woodchuck meat than they ever care to do again and they will tell you that of the two they prefer woodchuck. These two kinds of meat are not ripe at the same season and this of itself creates a small demand for both of them.

—What is greatly needed at some point on the O. and W. is a barrel factory. Since nearly all the wheat flour used now comes in cotton sacks, empty flour barrels are a thing of the past, and farmers who have apples and potatoes to ship cannot put them in shape to send to market. A factory of this kind need not be confined to the trade of any one section, as the markets of the world would be open to its products, which could be shipped in the flat. There is plenty of timber here to keep one running for the next twenty years.

—Rushmore, the Norwich creameryman, pays 31 cents a quart for milk, and that too in the fourth freight zone, which goes to show that the difference in cost of freight has but little to do with the price paid to the farmer.

—The Rev. Mr. Howell has more friends in Monticello than outside people are led to believe by reading the papers. This is a church fight, and the devil (I am not sure but that I ought to spell that with a big "D") is getting in his work, as is usual in all religious fights. Restraints.

HOW IT SPREADS.

People Are Talking All Over Middletown—This Report Comes From Robert Street.

How it spreads. Can't keep a "good thing" down. Ever notice how good things are imitated?

Better the article, more imitations. Fortunately the people have a safeguard.

Praise can't be imitated. And true praise takes root and spreads. Claim is one thing; proof another.

Claim is what the manufacturer says. Proof is what the people say.

Middletown people say: Doan's Kidney Pills cure sick kidneys. Cure all kidney ills.

Hundreds of citizens testify to this. Here is a case in point:

Mrs. C. H. Coleman, of the Columbus Hotel, No. 46 Robert street, says:

"Kidney disease runs in our family. I have been troubled for the past six years myself, but the greater quantity of Doan's Kidney Pills I bought at J. E. Mills' drug store for my mother and one of my brothers. Backache so severe I could not stand it, and too stubborn to be affected by plaster, home remedies or physician's prescriptions, clung to me most of the time. I have let my bed late at night and gone to a doctor's, begging him for relief. I could not wait until he was sent for. Urinary trouble set in. The deposit alarmed me. My general health was impaired and I considered myself lucky in being induced to try Doan's Kidney Pills. It was only a few days when I got relief and in five or seven more my trouble had disappeared. When they cured me so promptly I immediately sent some to my mother, who lives at Glenwood, Sullivan county. Her firm adjoins the Sullivan County Club House. The first box I sent her did her so much good that she made me send her some more. I have sent some to my sister who has the same symptoms as I, but at present I cannot speak positively about her or my brother. I can about Doan's Kidney Pills. No words of mine can express my opinion. They are easy to take, leave no disagreeable after-effects and go right to the kidneys."

Doan's Kidney Pills are sold for 50 cents per box or six boxes for \$2.50. Foster Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Sent by mail on receipt of price. For sale by all dealers.

Remember the name, Doan's, and take no substitute.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away. To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address: Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

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IN ANCIENT GOSHEN.

Christmas Services—Other Local Notes—Personal Mention—The Squirrel—Its Advantages and Disadvantages.

From a Special Correspondent.

—A "Vigil" service was held in St. James' Church, on Christmas Eve, at 11:45. Directly after midnight, there was a celebration of the holy communion. There was a second celebration at 7:30, and a third at 11 a. m.

—Miss Persis Strait, of Bradford, Pa., is the guest of Miss Alice Seafie in this village.

—Mrs. George C. Miller and daughter have gone to New York, where they will spend the remainder of the winter.

—There was no meeting of the Ladies' Whist Club last week.

—All the benediction used in the decoration of St. James' Church was the gift of a member of the congregation, and was cut from the trees in her own grounds.

—The writer has heard many people say that they liked to have squirrels live in the trees in their door yards, that they looked so bright and cunning. They are pretty little creatures and pleasant to watch as they leap from tree to tree and whisk along the tops of the fences. Even when we see them embracing our lobes of apples and pears and gnawing their way to their centers, to get the seeds, we forgive them, but it is well to avoid too great an intimacy with them.

The writer knows one family with which they have become so friendly that they come right into the house in the winter and live there so long as the cold weather lasts. They bring nuts into the walls and get hungry in the middle of the night and get up and eat them. A favorite spot for their consumption is that part of the wall that is situated at the head of the bed. Now, the spreading of a nut at the head of one's bed, or the occasional dropping of one that starts in the upper story and trickles downward for several feet makes quite a noise in the middle of the night. Then, too, the squirrel is a quarrelsome beast, and when Mrs. Squirrel chooses to lecture her spouse when he comes in late, and the baby wakes up and cries and all the children go scurrying off in various directions, doubtless in search of soothing medicine, one feels that they are not desirable inmates. There is just one thing, however, that is worse than their living in your walls, and that is their dying in them. One member of the family just alluded to says that one of these "cute little things" has died all round her room during the last month. The first time it turned up its little toes it was in the wall on one side of her apartments. Then, just as she was thinking that the bitterness of death was past, it crawled under the floor and died all over again there, even more unpleasantly than before, and it is just as dead now as it was four weeks ago. She had no idea that anything so small could have such staying powers. Nothing can convince that family, all of whose members are more or less affected by the sorrow of the one, but that the woods is the best place for squirrels, alive or dead.

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FROM ALL SECTIONS

To be Cured by the Boy Phenomenon, the Greatest Magnetic Healer of Modern Times.

HIS MANY PHENOMENAL CURES THE TALK OF THE COUNTRY FOR MILES AROUND.

May be Consulted at the Russell House Ten Days Only.

In this nineteenth century science has made rapid progress in treating with disease in every form. Research and study have brought to light many remedies that are invaluable to suffering humanity, but, without doubt, the greatest and grandest discovery known in the annals of medical science, for the amelioration of chronic diseases, centers upon Human Magnetism as the one great healing power whose potency is unquestioned and unrivaled. For the widest evidence of this fact, one has but to read the New York papers of last Sunday, in which whole pages of many columns were devoted to the wonderful power of Prof. Arkinson, the great English Magnetist, detailing the many remarkable cures he has effected through the instrumentality of the same Vital Force, as possessed by the Boy Phenomenon who is at present in our midst, performing some wonderful cures.

The citizens of Middletown have had an accurate demonstration of this most subtle power the past week, and an opportunity to judge for themselves by personal observations, and interviews with many of our prominent citizens, relative to the permanency or good and bad effects as a result of their treatment both upon the public stage and at his private office in the Russell House.

Never before in the history of Middletown has one man created such a sensation, or been the object of such widespread comment and universal praise as have been accorded this youthful healer during the past few days. But it is as it should be, and only goes to prove that our citizens are fully competent to discriminate between the good and the bad.

Not only are the city people interested in this grand humanitarian work, but hundreds from the country and adjacent towns have attended each exhibition, in consequence of which the surrounding country has been worked up to a high pitch of excitement because of the many astonishing cures that have daily been accomplished, both in public, on the open stage and in private at the Russell House, thus proving beyond doubt that he is certainly the greatest magnetic healer this country has ever seen.

Cures have been performed upon many well known citizens that rival those of ancient times—so remarkable in fact that the medical world stands agape in utter surprise and bewilderment, while press and pulpit eulogize this grand humanitarian work in the most enthusiastic and unquestioned manner.

The Boy Phenomenon stands alone on his merits, and wishes to be judged by the work he performs, and points with pride and satisfaction to the score or more of well known citizens whom he has cured of various complaints.

When sick is the time we need the best advice and treatment; therefore we say, inform yourselves, you who are sick; visit the reception parlors any day and witness with your own eyes the healing of your own friends; go to their homes, talk with them, and then act as your best judgment dictates.

This is your opportunity to be cured. You may never have such another chance. No matter what your condition, how long you have been sick or how many others you have tried; no matter how your doubts may be, if curable at all, there is hope to those who will take the trouble to investigate.

While the Boy Phenomenon will remain 2 weeks longer, no new cases will be received for treatment after January 1st. Office hours 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. and 7 to 8 even'g.

To-night and To-morrow Night,

And each day and night during this week you can get at any druggists Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs, acknowledged to be the most successful remedy ever sold for Coughs, Bronchitis, Asthma and Consumption. Get a bottle, to-day, and keep it always in the house, so you can check your cold at once. Price 25c. and 50c. Sample bottle free.

A bottle of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup in the house saves doctors' bills, saves trouble, and very often saves precious lives. Gives almost instant relief in cases of coughs, colds, or lung troubles of any sort.

Disfigurement for life by burns or scalds may be avoided by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great remedy for rashes and for all kinds of sores and skin troubles. W. D. Olney.

Mrs. Mary Bird, Harrisburg, Pa., says: "My child is worth millions to me; yet I would have lost her by croup had I not invested twenty-five cents in a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure." It cures coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. W. D. Olney.

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For Infants and Children.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

WHEREAS, Default has been made in the payment of the interest money secured by a mortgage, dated the 24th day of June, 1889, executed by The Goshen Gas Light Company, through its President, E. D. Bushnell, of the city of Brooklyn, N. Y., to Horatio S. Stewart, as trustee, to secure the payment of its bonds to the amount of twelve thousand dollars, which said mortgage was recorded in the County Clerk's office of the county of Orange, on the 24th day of December, 1889, at ten o'clock and fifteen minutes a. m., in the proper book for recording mortgages to wit: in Liber 399 of Mortgages, at Page 421.

And whereas, it was in and by said mortgage expressly agreed "in case default is made in the payment of the principal or interest money on said bonds secured by this mortgage, or any part thereof for the space of thirty days after the same or any part thereof shall become due and payable; or if the said part of the first part shall allow any taxes or assessments levied or assessed under any act or law of said authority whatever to remain unpaid more than thirty days after the same shall become due and payable; that then and in such case the whole principal debt shall become and be forthwith due and payable even though said bonds may not have fully matured;" and thereupon the said party of the second part has notified the said party of the first part by registered letter, duly acknowledged by the said party of the first part, of the date of the said publication of this notice, the sum of twelve thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars, to wit: the sum of twelve thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars for interest thereon from January 1st, 1897, and no suit, proceeding or action at law or otherwise has been instituted to recover the said mortgage debt or any part thereof.

Now therefore, notice is hereby given, that by virtue of said power of sale and in pursuance of the statute in that behalf made, the said party of the second part has caused the premises in said mortgage and hereafter described, by Horatio S. Stewart, as trustee, upon and by virtue of said mortgage at the date of the said publication of this notice, the sum of twelve thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars for interest thereon from January 1st, 1897, and no suit, proceeding or action at law or otherwise has been instituted to recover the said mortgage debt or any part thereof.

The following is a description of the mortgaged premises to be sold as aforesaid, and contained in said mortgage, to wit: All that certain parcel of land, situate in the village of Goshen, on the western side of West Main street, and bounded as follows: Beginning at a point in the center of a stone wall in the corner of the lot owned by the said West Main street, about one hundred and ten feet easterly of the east corner of land belonging to the heirs of James Wardrop, deceased, and running thence in an easterly direction along and by the said West Main street one hundred and fifty feet; thence in a northerly direction, and at right angles to the above, by one hundred and twenty feet to land of the said V. L. E. and W. Railroad; thence in a westerly direction, along line of said railroad land, one hundred and fifty feet; thence in a southerly direction, one hundred and twenty feet to place of beginning, being a lot one hundred and fifty feet front and one hundred and twenty feet deep, the same being the same lot or lots, being the same parcel as is described in a certain deed, dated the 24th day of June, A. D. 1884, conveyed to the said The Goshen Gas Light Company, for the purpose of siting all and singular the railroads, machinery, improvements, water courses, rights, liberties, privileges, and franchises of the said Goshen Gas Light Company, in and by way appertaining to the said, and the reversions and remainders, issues and profits thereof, and also the corporate rights and franchises of the said Goshen Gas Light Company, and all the real estate and corporate franchises, and which the said party of the first part, its executors and assigns, may acquire or be seized or possessed of subsequent to the date of this indenture.

Dated Nov. 27, 1897.
Mortgagee HORATIO S. STEWART, Trustee.

In Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, made in heretofore filed, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Elizabeth Jane Wickham, late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, to appear at the office of the said Surrogate, in the city of Middletown, on or before the 1st day of February, 1898, at ten o'clock a. m., to show cause, if any, why the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, at the First National Bank in the city of Middletown, on or before the 1st day of February, 1898.

S. W. ROBERTSON, Executor.
J. F. BRADNER, attorney for executor.

Orange Co. Trust and Safe Deposit Co.

Deposits made with this company between January 1st and 10th draw interest from the 1st, otherwise interest begins on the 15th. Pass books will have accrued interest entered upon presentation after Jan. 15th.

250 North 6th St. SPENCER TOWLEY Secretary.

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PHILIP HENRY, Practical House Painter, No. 9 Linden Terrace. Estimates furnished on application. 47dtd

CHAS. J. KIDD, Jr., 70 Academy Avenue—3,000 designs in Wall Paper. Estimates furnished for painting, decorating and handiwork. 71

MUSICAL Instruction on mandolin, piano, violin, guitar, banjo, etc. by VINCENT MAUGLIO, 18 North Street, second floor. d&w1

MORTGAGE ADVISORS—Money deposited on or before the 10th day of January and July, and the 10th day of April and October, will draw interest from the 1st.

CHARLES J. EVERSON, successor to William W. Rowe, Surveyor and Civil Engineer, of No. 6 King Street, Middletown.

J. W. WORCESTER, M. D., late of New York City. Free Consultation in all his branches. Expert in the use of x-rays and extraction. 37 NORTH ST., Middletown, N. Y.

DILL & COX, Attorneys and Counsellors at Law, office No. 2 South Street, Middletown, N. Y., attend to all kinds of law business.

HENRY C. McGRAIR, D. D. S., Gas administration. Office over Savings Bank, Middletown, N. Y.

D. R. F. FRIED, Dentist, office—corner North and King Sts., Middletown. Extractions on King St. Dental work of all kinds. Gas administered. d15Sept18

CLAIRVOYANT—PROF. W. H. SAGENDORF will return to Middle-town, Dec. 27th, and remain one week at Wm. S. Rowe's, 37 James street.

A BUSINESS EDUCATION—Railway and Commercial Stationery, and telegraphic school of commerce No. 47 Washington Street, Middletown, N. Y. Day and evening. Established 1895. Only \$5 per term. J. B. VAN BLADEN, Principal.

PAPER HANGING at 12 1/2 c per roll; also all kinds of painting. Estimates on all work cheerfully furnished. ELMGROVE, 5805 Academy Ave. d11

EXTRACTING with wax, 50c. and 75c. No charge for extracting when artificial teeth are to be inserted. Best teeth \$6, \$8 and \$10 a set. Twenty years' experience. DR. J. B. VAN BLADEN, 37 James St.

JEROME FOLLER, Piano and Organ Tuner. All work guaranteed. Or send

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TERMS—\$1.50 Per Year, 75c. For Six Months.

THE EXHIBITIVE, BOX-FITTING, CIRCULAR, OF THE ARGUS AND MERCURY, BEING THE ONLY

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

THE TEMPERATURE.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Star-Engineer Adams, who estimated that \$30,000,000 would be paid.

CHRISTMAS WITH THE PATIENTS.

The State Hospital was the scene of Real Happiness Friday Night and Saturday.

Many more Christmas gifts were received, then in any recent year and several hundred were distributed through the wards.

THE CHRISTMAS DINNER.

The Christmas dinner was a grand one. About 1,600 pounds of turkey, duck and chicken were deliciously prepared by the competent staff and all the necessary accompaniments of a fine dinner were served.

MENNERCHORS' WEINACHTSFESTE.

The Mennerchor Germania celebrated Christmas afternoon and evening by giving a wonderful concert to the members and their families.

Miss Dorothy Norton in Town.

Miss Dorothy Norton and her company who will appear at the Casino, to-night arrived in town on the train, 1:40 p.m.

Pauli Norton Cured.

Hood's Little one all better. Mailed for 25c by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

HOLIDAY FATALITIES.

Met Death in Horrible Way, While Others Are Happy.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

New York, Dec. 26.—Miss Lizzie (tailor) was burned to death last night in Brooklyn apartments in an effort to save the children. A baby pulled the cloth from a table, upsetting a kerosene lamp. The woman's clothing caught fire, but she devoted her attention to rescuing the children.

At 11:30 p.m. Dec. 27.—Richard Plunkett, of Syracuse, who was serving a five years' sentence, hung himself in his cell, last night.

Waukegan, Dec. 27.—John Agnew and Thomas Kennedy met a horrible death, to-day, at Alden-street. They had been sent down to cut the ice, which prevented the carriage from running. Starting at the top contrary to the usual custom, they cut away until the car descended 200 feet, where it stuck.

The men couldn't signal the engineer and the rope continued to coil on top of the car until the weight forced the carriage beyond the ice formation when it began a swift descent.

When the slack was taken up the rope broke, sending the car unimpeded 450 feet. The men were dashed to pieces. The engineer said the men had been warned to begin cutting at the bottom.

THE CHRISTMAS DINNER.

Over 300 children feasted at the first Baptist church.

The Christmas dinner for the children at the first Baptist Church was a complete and unqualified success. The final meeting of the committee will be held Tuesday evening, after which a final statement will be made to the public.

The happiest people in the city were those who helped in this beautiful work. Over 300 children were fed. All workers in abundance were on hand. All worked happily, gladly. So generous were the gifts that after the dinner a good Methodist brother took his horse and wagon and about seventy-five families received substantial evidence that Christmas was here. Nothing was wasted.

MAY COME MASKED.

A concession granted on account of Governor Le's Washington Ball.

It is a violation of one of the provisions of the Penal Code for parties attending a masquerade ball to appear on the streets unaccompanied by a police officer. Authorities. Manager Le has, however, obtained the consent of the police authorities for all persons who wish to attend his masquerade ball, on New Year's Eve, may come from their residence to the theatre with their masks on, so long as the privilege is not abused, but after once entering the theatre persons must not pass out again on the street without unmasking.

HYMENEA.

Jeannette—A waitress.

Jeannette, a waitress, an employee of J. C. Barton & Son's, went to Warehousing, Ct., Thursday, and on Saturday took for his bride, Ruth, the attractive daughter of Rev. George N. Westcott. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Thomas B. Gilbert.

The couple returned to this city Saturday night, and are residing at the home of the bride's mother at No. 161 North street.

Second School Entertainment at the

The Sunday School of the Second Free Baptist Church gave a very pleasing entertainment last night. The proceeds of the evening were for the benefit of the church.

ECZEMA.

Most Torturing, Disfiguring, Humiliating.

Of itching, burning, itching, scaly skin and scaly humors, is invariably relieved by a single application of Cuticura Soap, locally, the great skin cure, and a full dose of Cuticura for the system, cures of blood purifier and humor cures.

Cuticura.

Reviews speedily, permanently, and economically cure, when all else fails.

PIMPLY FACES.

GREAT REDUCTION IN PRICES OF Ladies' and Children's Cloaks.

For coats that sold up to \$10 now \$6.90. Those that sold up to \$16.50 now \$8.90. This does not refer to old garments. It includes only the best of this season's goods. The stock will not last long. The early callers will secure the choice.

CARSON & TOWNER,

No. 11 West Main Street. Telephone 166.

HOLIDAY ANNOUNCEMENT.

Our Holiday Hat is a beauty. Fur and Cloth Caps, all grades. Mittens and gloves, all grades. Silk and cashmere hosiery, all grades. Silk and cashmere hosiery, all grades. Silk and cashmere hosiery, all grades.

Ready-made clothing. Suits—We are selling it fast at the price we are offering it at. People know good goods. Now is your time to buy a Suit, Overcoat or Ulster Coat. We want the money and they must go.

JOHN E. ADAMS,

Leading Hatter and Clothier, No. 41 North Street.

ATTENTION!

Bear in mind before making your Christmas selections, that we have a complete line of

HOLIDAY GIFTS!

such as

Handkerchiefs,

in Swiss, Linen and Silk.

Silk Mullers, Gents' Ties

in 4 in. Bands, Ties, Bows and

Smith & Angell's Hosiery

in cotton and wool. Guaranteed not to crack off. We have them for either men, women or children

Pocketbooks of All Descriptions and a Nice Line of Silver Novelties.

We Give Trading Stamps.

J. D. HORTON, AGT.,

No. 27 West Main Street.

I. B. A. TAYLOR & CO.,

DEALERS IN ALL KINDS OF

COAL!

All our COAL is screened by the POCKET SYSTEM, thereby insuring to the consumer clean coal.

Taylor's Coal Yard,

No. 25 WEST MAIN ST., CORNER MILL ST., DUNSTON, MIDDLETOWN.

ANYTHING LACKING

in your Christmas stocking? If so, we will be glad to supply the deficiency.

Diaries for 1898 are ready for you.

Same is true of New Year's Cards and Calendars.

That Magazine or Paper you were going to subscribe for we can have sent for you and save you the trouble and expense.

Wouldn't you like some of our fine Stationery to acknowledge your Christmas gifts on?

Hanford & Horton,

No. 6 North St., Middletown.



A Christmas Display

of goods dear to the masculine heart we are displaying this week, for those who wish to please their male friends by gifts that will make them rise up and call you blessed.

Fine Umbrellas, Men's Driving and Street Gloves, Scarfs, Mufflers, Fine Suspenders, House Coats, Smoking Jackets, Ulsters, Overcoats, Horse Blankets and Robes.

GEO. W. YOUNG.

McCALL'S 10c BAZAR PATTERNS 15c

"THE STYLISH PATTERN." Attractive, Fashionable, Original, Perfect-Fitting. Prices 10 and 15 cents. Some higher. None better at any price. Nearly every city or town. Ask for them, or they can be had by mail from us in either New York or Chicago. Stamps taken. Latest Fashion Sheet sent upon receipt of one cent to pay postage.

McCALL'S 50c MAGAZINE YEAR

Brightest ladies' magazine published. Invaluable for the house. Features of the day. Home Literature, Household Hints, Fancy Work, Current Events, Fiction, all for only 50 cents a year. Including a free pattern, your own selection any time. Send two 2-cent stamps for sample copy. Address THE McCALL COMPANY, 142-146 West 14th Street, New York. 189 Fifth Avenue, Chicago.

Those special Blank Books! Handmade at McINTYRE'S BINDERY, 33 North Street, Middletown, are first class and the price is just what you need.

Looking Around.

In looking around our store, after our great holiday trade, we find many odd lots of Suits, Overcoats, Pants, etc. We don't want them. You may need them. It will not take much money to buy them. Look at them and see what you can use.

MORRIS B. WOLF.

One Price.

It Has Seemed Like Old Times

Our Warerooms for the Last
Few Days.

We have actually been unable to give every one of our patrons the attention we would like, but we are not surprised, as we have just the goods the public want for Christmas presents, and the prices are not much more than half of former years. Novelties in Furniture, Crockery and Bric-a-Brac on every hand. We set out this year with the determination to remove the necessity for any person going out of town to buy their X-mas presents. We can suit everybody from 1 cent to \$100. Just think what a nice present a first-class Sewing Machine at \$17.50 or a \$75 Orange County Express Bicycle at \$40 would make. Respectfully

C. Emmet Crawford,

44 AND 46 NORTH STREET.

We Pause—
To tell you what one of the prettiest girls in Orange County said about our Perfection Glove Cleaner. She said, "It's not only the best I ever used, but it's simply perfection and everybody ought to know about it." We said we'd tell everybody about it right after Christmas—here it is—Perfection Glove Cleaner—large bottles 15 cents, made and sold only by ourselves.

McMonagle & Rogers, 30 North St. and 155 North St. (North Side Pharmacy).

And speaking of Gloves reminds us of the hands to wear 'em, and that the best thing to keep the hands smooth, white and attractive is our Orange Flower Balm—A few drops on them at night does it, keeps them free from hang nails, 30 years' popularity proves this no fable.

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THIS WEEK Special Sale OF RUGS

The Cheapest Place in
the City.

FRANCE &

BATHAWAY,

27 EAST MAIN STREET

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Hatters cheap at The Hub.
—Reduction on cloaks at Carson & Towner's.
—Kilmer's swamp root at F. M. Prunk's.
—Holiday goods cheap at Economy Store.
—Perfection glove cleaner at McMonagle & Rogers.
—Book accounts for sale Jan. 10th.
—Ball at Minnerchor Hall, New Year's Eve.
—Pocketbook lost.
—Sale of rage, France & Hathaway.
—Odd lots at Morris B. Wolf's.
—"A Trip Across the Ocean," at Casino, Jan. 4.
—New Year's cards at Hamilton & Horton's.
—Last week of carpet sale at Geo. B. Adams.
—Best cheap ice a pound at J. W. Slout's.
—Dyspepsia cured by Dr. Smith's Dyspepsia Tablets.
—Health restored by Dr. Miller's Nervine.
—Calendars given with Fairy Soap.
—Pico's Cure for coughs and colds.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Regular meeting of Common Council, to-night.
—The Erie, as is usual at this season, has laid off a number of its section hands.
—A Maybrook woman, sixty-seven years old, is just cutting her wisdom teeth.
—Charles Moore, Jr., won a handsome silk quilt at Louis Walzenegger's, Saturday night.
—Petite, graceful Dorothy Morton at the Casino, to-night, in "Miss Brevity of Hong Kong."
—A first class entertainment for a moderate price, to-night, at Second Presbyterian Church.
—Miss Dorothy Morton will produce "Miss Brevity of Hong Kong" at the Casino, to-night.
—The cantata and supper to the Sunday School of the First Congregational Church occurs, to-night at 7:30.
—John L. Sullivan will be at the Casino, next Tuesday evening, Jan. 4th, with his vaudeville company.
—City Engineer Smith is mourning the loss of his fine bay horse. The animal died of pneumonia, Saturday night.
—J. V. Jordan has given Chauncy Brooks the contract for the creamery and ice house he is to build at Allard's Corners in the town of Montgomery.
—The committee in charge of the "Bully" Williams benefit is requested to meet Tuesday evening, Dec. 28th, at Mr. Williams' apartments on North street.
—The entertainment given at the Second Presbyterian Church, to-night, is known to be the best of its kind ever held in this city. Admission 25 cents; children 15 cents.
—The operetta, "Santa Claus and Mother Goose," will be given, this evening, at the Assembly Rooms, at 7:30. Admission, children under twelve ten cents, adults fifteen cents.
—A winter camp meeting, on the Ocean Grove plan, will be held in the Port Jervis M. E. Church commencing Jan. 9th, by Rev. Mr. Daniel, evangelist of the Newark conference.
—Don't sit home and hatch out trouble this joyous X-mas time, but go to the Second Presbyterian Church, to-night, and hear, and see and feel the marvelous entertainment given by Mr. Hatch.
—The friends of Mrs. Joseph Scollard will learn with regret that she is very low from the effects of a stroke of paralysis, sustained several weeks ago, and it is feared that she cannot long survive.
—At a meeting of Lancelot Lodge, No. 169, Knights of Pythias, held Friday night, it was decided not to hold a public installation of officers on January 7th, but to hold a "stag" for members only.

PERSONAL.

—Mrs. Murray Kay, of Kingston, is visiting in this city.
—Mrs. George Bartle spent Christmas and Sunday at Oakland, N. J.
—John Dennis, with Carson & Towner, spent Sunday at Deckertown.
—Dr. Fred C. Royce, of Brooklyn, spent Christmas with his parents here.
—Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. McCarter, of New York, spent Christmas in town.
—Robert Lane, of Port Jervis, spent Christmas with his mother in this city.
—The Misses Horton, of Brooklyn, spent Christmas at Miss Flora Horton's.
—Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Madden spent Christmas with relatives in this city.
—Frank Florence, of Boston, spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Florence.
—Dr. Daniel T. Millsparagh, of the Riverside Sanitarium, Paterson, is in town, to-day.
—Louis Dawkins, of Newton, N. J., spent Christmas and Sunday with relatives in this city.
—Mr. and Mrs. MacBurney, of Jersey City, spent Christmas with Mrs. MacBurney's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Royce.
—James Powers and Miss Kate Powers returned to Brooklyn, to-day, after spending Christmas with their parents here.
—Alexander C. Mackey, of Middletown, is spending the Christmas season with his family at Matleawan.—Fishkill Standard.
—Dr. and Mrs. August Wolf, of New York, spent the holidays in this city visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Wolf.
—Samuel Schellenberg, with Blake & Co., piano dealers of Boston, is home on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Schellenberg.
—Miss Mande Smith, of New Brunswick, N. J., spent Christmas with her parents, ex-Superintendent of Fire Alarm and Mrs. Frank T. Smith.
—Mrs. Gay O. Sawyer is visiting Mrs. D. Gay Lockwood at Middletown, James Herling, of Middletown, is spending the holidays at home.—Walton Reporter.
—Miss Lila A. Stewart was in Kingston, Friday, conferring with ladies interested in the Kingston Hospital in regard to a kindness which they are planning to give for the benefit of the hospital.

SERVICES AT CHRIST CHURCH.

The Sunday School held Exercises appropriate to the Day.

The Assembly Rooms were tastefully decorated with palms, plants, cut flowers and evergreens. The Sunday School held a service appropriate to Christmas at 10 a. m. At 11 a. m. there were special Christmas services, with special music. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Emery, preached a Christmas sermon from the text, Mark x, 15: "As a Little Child." He said, "It is not without significance that the record of the 'Savior of the world' dwells upon the fact that he was born as a little child, that he grew and exerted an influence as a little child. Certainly it is not only a natural but a sweet and helpful thing that at Christmas tide young and old alike linger in thought and heart over the little Christ child in the limestone kiln at Bethlehem. Christmas is the children's festival. We all have part in it and enjoy it because there is something of the child in all of us. Thank God for that! That is one of the things that will save us. We all need more of the trustfulness, the teachableness, the instinctive loving faith of the little child."

At 7:30 the Christmas service of song was very fine and the congregation filled the Assembly Rooms. The choir of children on the occasion consisted of Ella Case, Myra Wager, Myra Gibbs, Annie Craig, Gladys Miller, Grace Mapes, Ella Haug, Wallace LeFever, Amos Wood and Ivan Mapes, under the direction of Mrs. Emery. Their beautiful rendering of Christmas music charmed and blessed the large congregation. The pastor conducted the devotional service and preached a short sermon on "The Holy Spirit of God," expressing it as his desire and prayer that God's spirit, Christ's spirit, the Christmas spirit, should always dwell in each individual heart and life.

The Christmas observance will be continued this evening in the Assembly Rooms, at 7:30 o'clock, when the operetta, "Santa Claus and Mother Goose," will be given by the children, and a Christmas tree will be in evidence with its treasures for the children.

CHRISTMAS AT THE HOME.

Joyous Time for the Little Ones at the Children's Home.

The Sunday School held its annual entertainment, Christmas night, some thirty visitors from down town being present. Souvenir programmes were given to each guest.

The tree was beautiful and Santa Claus could not have been more generous. The little folks were showered with gifts. After enjoying their gifts for an hour they were called to order and they sang "There is sunshine in my soul" and were dismissed. Mrs. Winters served excellent refreshments to the guests and took them through the building.

Thanks for the splendid success of the entertainment are due to the most generous aid of the Episcopal Sunday School, First Congregational Y. P. S. C. E., First Baptist Sunday School, Methodist Sunday School, Second Presbyterian Sunday School, First Presbyterian Sunday School, Kings Daughters of Second Presbyterian Church, Boys' Mission Band of Second Presbyterian Church, Mrs. Winters, Mrs. Gray, Miss H. Laren, J. Bush, Andrew Brown, H. B. Woodward, A. & P. T. Co., Hamond & Horton, Evans Bros., Mrs. S. H. Talbot, Mrs. Daniel Corwin, Mrs. Wm. Southwood, Mrs. F. Jackson, Mrs. Wm. Lockwood, Mrs. Carrie Roe, Mrs. James Little, Miss S. Le Roe, Miss Laura Smith, Miss Anna Cuyler, Miss Sadie Bodine, Miss Maud McDonald, Miss Ida Osborn, W. Knapp, Master Horton Giering, Miss Nellie Shaler and Abram Petit.

MAYOR MANCE CANED.

Employees of the O. and W. Paint Shop surprised Him Friday Night.

Mayor Mance was agreeably surprised and supremely pleased, Christmas Eve, when a boy from Gordon's jewelry store left at his home a beautiful ebony cane, topped off heavily with gold. The inscription "To our foreman, Charles J. Mance, Dec. 25, 1897," explained who the donors were. Accompanying the cane was a gold pen in a silver holder, also the gift of the loyal employees of the O. and W. paint shops, over which the mayor presides.

His Honor carried the cane down town, to-day, and he was the recipient of many congratulations.

CONGREGATIONAL SERVICES.

Addresses by G. H. Decker and Justice A. H. Payne.

The Christmas services at the First Congregational Church, Sunday night, drew a large audience. There was Christmas music, responsive readings and timely addresses by G. H. Decker, Justice A. H. Payne and the pastor, Rev. Dr. Wm. A. Robinson.

Master Knapp's Outfit Made a Hit.

Master Walter Knapp received a cute Portland slither, blankets, whip, harness, etc., for Christmas, and he "cut a rattle" behind his goat, Christmas afternoon.

The outfit is one which wins the heart of every boy, and the little man enjoyed immensely the attention he attracted. Several people owning cameras stopped him and were given permission to take a snap shot of the rig.

Shops on the O. and W.

The O. and W. milk train was badly broken up in the Weehawken yard while being made up, Friday morning.

The milk's engine blew out her cylinder head, Saturday, near Valley Cottage.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Fred S. Hammond.

Mrs. Grace Hammond, wife of Fred S. Hammond and daughter of Supervisor Thomas J. Quick, died Thursday afternoon at her home in Port Jervis, from peritonitis, following a fall sustained just before Thanksgiving.

Rev. C. C. Lathrop.

Rev. C. C. Lathrop, pastor of the Deckertown Baptist Church, who died Thursday, had a varied career. He was for twenty years in the banking and cotton business in New Orleans and in 1852 was a member of the Louisiana Legislature. He was a delegate to the national convention, which in 1860 nominated Bell and Everett. When the war broke out he came north and became president of a Philadelphia insurance and trust company. Later he engaged in the banking business in New York, with a residence in New Jersey and was elected to the New Jersey Legislature. After the war he was appointed Collector of the Port at New Orleans, but declined for business reasons. He was a lay preacher of the Baptist Church for many years and in 1887 accepted a call from the Deckertown church.

Mrs. Edwin McWilliams.

Sarah Helen, wife of contractor Edwin McWilliams, died Sunday morning about 8 a. m. The funeral will be held Wednesday at 2 o'clock at the late home, No. 23 John street.

Mrs. McWilliams has been in poor health for three or four years, and grew gradually weaker during the summer months. She became unconscious Saturday and did not revive.

Mrs. McWilliams is survived by her faithful husband and son, Fred S. She was the daughter of M. Vander and Ruth (Goldsmith) Sands, and was born Sept. 8, 1845. She was one of six children, the survivors being Eugenia, wife of John Randall, of Kew-Forest; Cortland Sands, of near this city; Aaron G. Sands, of Greenvale, and Harriet, of Sands Station. George, another brother, died two years ago.

The deceased was a consistent Christian, and had enjoyed membership in the First Congregational Church since she was eighteen years of age. She was educated in Walkill Academy, and lived to see her husband about complete the grand edifice which now stands upon the site.

A SUNDAY SCHOOL'S CHRISTMAS.

A Very Pleasant Entertainment at the North Street M. E. Chapel.

A very pleasant Christmas entertainment was given in the North Street M. E. Chapel, Saturday evening. The exercises consisted of songs and recitations rendered by the children of the Sunday School. Edward Heater gave the opening address and Ernest Hall the closing one, and both were well-rendered. Nearly half a hundred other recitations were given by the little ones, all of which were interesting and amusing.

W. D. Robinson was presented with a fine gold pen and pearl holder by the young ladies of his class, which is named the "Willing Workers," and which is great help to the school. The superintendent, Robert Lawrence, was presented with a rocking chair by the school, W. D. Robinson making the presentation speech in a few well-chosen words.

Old Santa Claus (Charles Brown) made his appearance, loaded down with presents for the little folks, and in his humorous style entertained the children with songs and speeches. The evening closed with a solo by Miss Susan Armstrong.

On Sunday afternoon the Sunday School was largely attended.

The choir from St. Paul's Church was present and rendered excellent music. Mrs. Sweetman gave a beautiful address upon Christmas work. A selection read by Miss Sophronia Arthur on the worship of the infant Saviour by the shepherds was very interesting, and a solo sung by Miss Armstrong gave much pleasure.

The school is held every Sunday afternoon at 2:30, and all are very earnestly invited to attend and give encouragement to Christian work in this part of the city.

SOMETHING'S GOING TO DROP.

Machine Men Will Hear Something in a Few Days Which They Won't Like It Thinks Go as Expected.

The "harmony" which is not being restored among Republicans in this city is to have another set back shortly, if something planned by some of the "ants" comes about. The Ants' pipe line is working all right in this particular instance, and when the thing seems reasonably certain it will be announced in these columns.

The announcement will be particularly pleasant to all "ants," and very stinging to all the big machine men.

Special Cars for the Messiah Concert at Goshen.

Special cars will be run from Middletown to Goshen, to-morrow night, for the accommodation of those desiring to attend the Messiah concert. Cars will be in waiting at Goshen after the concert.

Awful Experience With Heart Disease.

That Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart works like magic, and cures is proven by the testimony of L. J. Law, Toronto, Can.: "I was so sorely troubled with heart disease that I was unable for 18 months to lie down in bed lest I smother. After taking one dose of Dr. Agnew's Heart Cure, I retired and slept soundly. I used one bottle and the trouble has not returned."

Sold by James T. King and McMonagle & Rogers.

AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

Going South—Card Tournament Prizes.

"Has a Position in New York—Spent Christmas at Their Old Home—Christmas Festival at St. John's Church—Will Continue as Director of the Vocal Society—Spent Christmas in Goshen—Changes at the St. Elmo—Mr. Clark's Reception—Thought His Poultry in Danger.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

William C. Altmann will soon start on a three weeks' tour of the South for the benefit of his health which has been impaired by the rigorous climate of these latitudes.

The prizes in the G. S. A. A. card tournament were awarded at the club house, Saturday evening. The first whist prize was awarded President J. W. Gott and consisted of a handsome pair of sleeve buttons; William Harvey Goodale, who won the other end of the whist tournament, received the consolation prize, a miniature pack of cards. The first euchre prize, a handsome match safe, went to Ed. C. Price, and George L. Jackson, who was entitled to the consolation prize, received a useful and valuable book of reference—Hoyle's book of rules.

Thomas Robinson has secured a lucrative position with the Western Union Telegraph Company, in New York, and left Goshen, last night, to enter upon his duties, to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cummins returned, Saturday, from Wilton, Conn., where they have been attending the funeral of the late Prof. S. R. Lambert.

Twenty-one employees of the Newbury Foundry Co., spent Christmas at their former home in Guilford.

A Christmas tree festival for the benefit of St. John's Church Sunday School will be held, Thursday afternoon, in the basement of the church.

Miss May C. Beakes will tender a farewell reception to her friends, this evening.

Rev. R. B. Clark, who announced at the recent annual reunion of the Goshen Vocal Society, that he would resign as musical director of the organization at the termination of the concert season, announced, last Friday, that he had reconsidered his previous announcement and would still preside as director and that the society would take a prolonged rest from their labors after the present season. The final determination of the Rev. Mr. Clark is greeted with loud acclamations of approval by those who are interested in the society and its musical efforts. He has been the leading spirit that has bound the society together and in the mind of the society itself his resignation is regarded as synonymous with decay and dissolution.

Among those who ate their Christmas dinner with friends and relatives in town were: Harry P. Van Stenbergh, John R. M. Walsh, Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Walsh, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Conkin and child, Chas. M. Vail and family, Oliver B. Tutthill, Ed. Roers, George Grier, William Finnan, William Matthews, Albert Doremus, Adam Holbert, and others, of New York city; Mr. and Mrs. M. Haffner, of White Plains; Clarence W. Vail and family, of Brooklyn; Willard Jessup, of Oxford, Pa.; Ed. C. Thompson, of Princeton; Rev. Jas. C. Coleman, of Princeton Theological Seminary; Dr. J. S. G. Coleman, of Albany; Miss Marie Ireland, of New York city; Percy V. D. Gott, of Hotchkiss Preparatory School, Charles T. Jackson, Jr., and East W. and Frederick Amend, of East Orange; Richard S. Sayer, of Englewood, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. Gates McGarrath, of New York city.

With the beginning of the new year Fred B. Hook will assume the management of the St. Elmo Hotel, a position until recently held by Robt. J. Hook, the newly appointed Under Sheriff. Edward Livermont has accepted a position as night clerk at the hotel and will enter upon his duties immediately.

On Saturday evening, Rev. and Mrs. R. B. Clark will receive their friends at their home.

At the Christmas prize services at the Presbyterian Church, last evening, an enlarged choir rendered a chorus from the "Creation" and several anthems. Miss Carolyn Howland rendered a solo "There were ninety and nine that safely lay in the shelter of the fold, But one was out on the hills away from the gate of gold."

While all the good and righteous colored persons were supposed to be in attendance at the services at the Mission, last night, one of them was out "on the hills away" in the vicinity of the water-works, with a meat sack over his shoulder. The farmer, or whose premises he was lightly tripping spied him as he tripped and chased him whence he came. His intentions may have been perfectly honorable, but the farmer regarded his presence as a circumstance that boded ill to his chickens. It would be better, perhaps, for the colored gentleman were he found on Sunday nights among the other sheep "in the shelter of the fold," lest a sore calamity shall some time overtake him in his travels and a darksome gloom shall settle where once he had his habitat.

The Homeliest Man in Middletown.


As well as the handsomest, and others are invited to call on any druggist and get free a trial bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the throat and lungs, a remedy that is guaranteed to cure and relieve all chronic and acute coughs, asthma, bronchitis and consumption. Price 25c. and 50c.

To Cure Constipation Forever. The Cures are Candy Cathartic, 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

New Year's Excursion to New York.

The Erie announces a one dollar excursion to New York, on New Year's Day. Tickets good going on Orange County Express at 7:10 from James street and 7:12 a. m. from Main street and to return on any train (except No. 5) that day. Trains leave Chamber street at 12:30, 4:30, 7:30 and 8:40 p. m. d5t

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.



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Do you get something for nothing when you buy your goods? If you do, look out for the price, quality, etc.

THE LAST WEEK!

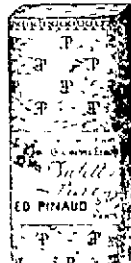
The last grand opportunity to buy Carpets at such low prices. This carpet sale will close, as advertised, Friday, Dec 31st, 1897. Do not delay your carpet purchase. It's money saved to buy during this sale. Goods will be held in all cases for future delivery if customers so desire it. These are the prices that should interest all careful buyers.

Smith's Best Mquette Carpets, all new patterns, at 89c a yard. January price will be \$1.15 The gr at velvet carpet leader at 89c a yard. January price will be \$1.20 a yard. Ten Wire the best Tapestry Brussels, at 75c a yard. 1898 price will surely be \$1. Nine Wire Tapestry Brussels at 60c a yard. Regular price will be 90c a yard. All Wool Ingrain Carpet at 50c a yard. New patterns made especially for the spring trade at 59c a yard. January price will be 75 or 85c a yard. During this sale we will sell good Oil Cloth at 15c a square yard. We urge you to look at this new stock of carpets at lower prices than we sold same quality of goods even before the advance in prices. This sale will positively close Dec. 31st, 1897.

Baskets at less than half price. We have a few Indian Baskets left. Here they go—All 25c Baskets at 10c each. All 48 and 50c Baskets at 25c each. A few Cups and Saucers to go at 4c. Lots of bargains on our 25c counter. A few large \$2.48 Framed Pictures at 98c each. One lot 35c Towels at 25c each. Remember our counter of short lengths of Silk, Cloaks, Capes and Furs. Our prices are the lowest.

GEO. B. ADAMS & CO.

Ed. Pinaud's
Exquisite
Parisian
Perfumes.



Nothing can be more pleasing or appropriate for a holiday gift than a bottle of these famous perfumes. We have the agency.

OLNEY'S PHARMACY, FRANKLIN SQUARE.

A. V. BOYD
Real Estate Broker

OLD VETS' GIFT.

Hands-on Set of Resolutions Presented to the Middletown Fire Department.

Ex-Chief Eli Bates, Capt. David Bradley, A. J. Brush, William Martin and J. J. Maloney, of the Old Volunteer Firemen's Association, of New York city, arrived in this city, Christmas, with a hands-on set of resolutions for the department in this city. The committee was met at the James street station at 12:55 by Chief Higham and First Assistant D. S. Lonsbury, of Monmouth, and escorted to the Commercial House, where they were the guests of Chief Higham until their departure on Erie No. 8 for New York city.

At 2:30, in keeping with the plans formulated at Friday night's meeting of the Board of Officers, delegations from each company met at Ex-Officers' rooms. President John T. Ogden, of the Common Council, and Alderman Joshua Hirst, Chairman of the Fire Committee, were also present.

Chief Higham introduced Capt. Bradley, who presented the department with the resolutions adopted by the association. The gift was accepted by Mr. Ogden, and remarks were made by ex-Chief Bates, in which he congratulated the department on its Chief Engineer, Alderman Hirst also spoke.

The resolutions are elaborately prepared, the work of a pen artist, and express in fitting language the volunteers' appreciation of the entertainment afforded them here last fall. The resolutions may be seen in Van Duzer & Smith's window.

HELD FOR THE GRAND JURY.

A Prom'n at Sullivan County Merchant Charged with Obtaining a Note Unlawfully.

John Beck, a well known merchant at Jeffersonville, Sullivan county, has been arrested and held in \$250 bail on a charge of obtaining a note for \$72 from Mrs. Margaret Egger, by false pretenses. A warrant had been issued for the arrest of her son on a charge of breaking into Mr. Beck's store. Mrs. Egger alleges, and her statement is confirmed by Constable Heidt, that Mr. Beck told her that if she paid for the goods taken and a bill that Egger owed at the store, the matter would be dropped. A note was given for the amount but the constable said he would have to do his duty and arrested young Egger, who was committed to jail.

The maximum penalty for the crime with which Mr. Beck is charged is three years in prison, and the minimum penalty a fine not to exceed three times the amount involved in the unlawful transaction.

COUNTERFEIT MILEAGE BOOKS.

The Erie Is Forced to Call Its Books of the "New York State" Form.

The discovery has been made that the Erie's old form of New York State mileage books has been extensively counterfeited, and agents have been instructed not to honor books of this issue, but to take them up and send them to the General Passenger Agent's office. If the books prove genuine they will be redeemed at the rate of two cents a mile for the unused mileage. No books of the style that has been counterfeited have been issued since September. The order does not apply to books of more recent form.

The Walton Armory Biddle.

Delaware county's Supervisors think they have solved the Walton armory muddle by asking Assemblyman Axtell to secure the passage of a bill appropriating \$10,000 for the completion of the building and furnishing, heating and lighting it, also another bill making an appropriation for the payment of the armorer and of other claims for work done.

Experimenting With a New Style Compound Engine.

A Rogers locomotive of a new type is being run on the New York Division of the Erie as an experiment. It is a compound engine on one side while on the other is but a single cylinder. The locomotive was run for two weeks on the Susquehanna and Western with good satisfaction.

Wanted \$10,291 But Will Take \$1,700.

Dr. Wesley Wait, of Newburgh, who presented a bill of \$10,291, against the estate of the late William Wait for the board and care of the deceased, has agreed to accept \$1,700 in full payment. The heirs objected so vigorously that he consented to a great scaling down of his claim.

The Port Jervis Telephone Company.

The Port Jervis Telephone Co., of which Geo. G. Otis, general manager of the Orange County Telephone Co., of this city, is superintendent, expects to have its exchange in operation by Feb. 1st. It already has 137 subscribers.

Lord Willie Contant in Washington.

From the Newburgh Telegram.

There is no question that Lord Contant was seen in Washington lately. He was elegantly attired, wore a high hat and was traveling about with a well appearing man.

Results of Revival Meetings at the First Baptist Church.

Five more converts were baptized, last evening. Many rose for prayers in the great altar-meeting. Over fifty new members are to receive the right hand of fellowship next Sunday morning.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents. Guaranteed tobacco habit cure makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c. All druggists.

Can't Eat

This is the complaint of thousands at this season. They have no appetite; food does not relish. They need the tonic upon the stomach and digestive organs, which a course of Hood's Sarsaparilla will give them. It also purifies and enriches the blood, cures that distress after eating and internal misery only a dyspeptic can know, creates an appetite, overcomes that tired feeling and builds up and sustains the whole physical system. It so promptly and efficiently relieves dyspeptic symptoms and cures nervous headaches, that it seems to have almost "a magic touch."

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier.

are the best after-dinner pills, all druggists. 25c.

BIG HOLIDAY BUSINESS.

Merchants Satisfied With the Holiday Trade This Year.

The merchants about town who have been asked about their holiday trade report almost generally that it has been up to previous years, and in many cases away ahead of any recent holiday season. Stocks which had been purchased judiciously for this particular trade were well cleaned out, and the counters are ready for new goods. This fact is particularly true of dealers in novelties and knick knacks, and judging from the amount of goods sold many hearts must have been made happier on Christmas Day.

Candy and fruit men sold in quantities as never before, while marketmen say many bought turkeys for more than one family. Dry goods men made many sales which will not show until the dressmaker has been called in. Sleights and skates enough to make a parade of happy youngsters longer than the longest ever held here were bought for the growing youth of this city.

Taken all in all it was a great harvest for the merchants, and every one is looking forward to the new year with bright hopes.

PAST MASTER WILSON'S GIFT.

Middletown Lodge, B. of R. T., Remembered for Seven Years' Service.

Middletown Lodge, No. 40, B. of R. T., held a regular meeting Sunday afternoon, in this city, at which Past Master John M. Wilson installed the following officers:

Past Master—J. M. Wilson.
Master—C. S. Stevens.
Vice Master—G. E. Griffin.
Secretary—C. E. Jones.
Financial—Thomas Boyd.
Chaplain—Burt Decker.
Conductor—James Dwyer.
Warden—Cole.
Inner Guard—F. B. Ayres.
Outer Guard—Winthrop Horton.

After the installation Vice Master Griffin presented the retiring Master John M. Wilson, with a beautiful badge of the order. Past Master Wilson accepted the badge gracefully, though it was a complete surprise to him. He spoke feelingly of his seven years' association with the lodge as its Master, and made cheering predictions for the future.

The badge bears the name of its owner, the lodge, and the date, and the insignia of the order. It is on exhibition, to-day, at Gordon's jewelry store.

GRATIFYING RESULTS.

INTERESTING EXPERIMENTS WITH THE NEW STOMACH REMEDY.

Not a Patent Medicine, But a Safe Cure for all Forms of Indigestion.

The results of recent investigation have established, beyond question, the great value of the new preparation for indigestion and stomach troubles; it is composed of the digestive acids, pepsin, bismuth, Golden Seal and similar stomachic ingredients prepared in the form of 20 grain lozenges, pleasant to the taste, convenient to carry when traveling, harmless to the most delicate stomach, and probably the safest, most effective cure yet discovered for indigestion, sour stomach, loss of appetite and flesh, nausea, sick headaches, palpitation of heart and the many symptoms arising from imperfect digestion of food. They cure because they cause the food to be promptly and thoroughly digested before it has time to sour, ferment and poison the blood and nervous system.

Over six thousand people in the state of Michigan alone in 1894 were cured of stomach troubles by Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Full sized packages may be found at all druggists at 50 cents, or sent by mail on receipt of price from Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich. Send for free book on stomach diseases.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. One-fourth the price of coffee. Fifteen cents and 25 cents per package. Sold by all grocers.

The statements of those who have been cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla prove the great merit of this medicine. Get only Hood's.

FINE CHRISTMAS DINNER.

Served by George Lea to the Guests of the Madison House.

Landlord George Lea, of the Madison House, served a very elaborate dinner to his guests on Christmas Day. The menu was as follows:

Oxtail Soup. Pickled Beets.
Gherkins. Creamed Oysters.
Mayonnaise of Salmon. Boiled Potatoes.
Chicken Gumbo. Roasted Turkey. Jelly Tarts.
Roast Young Delaware Turkey. Cranberry Sauce.
Celery. English Chow Chow.
Roast Young Sucking Pig—Apple Sauce.
Roast Lamb Chops. Grape Jelly.
Boiled and Mashed Potatoes. Green Peas.
Fried Potatoes—Broccoli. Stewed Carrots.
Roast Goose—Red Currant Jelly.
Roast Tenderloin of Beef. Larded—with Mushrooms.
Baby Olive. Chicken Salad. Succotash.
Boiled Ham—Chumpagne Sauce. Sweet Potatoes.
Cranberry Pickles. Apple Sauce.
Apple, Mince and Pumpkin Pie. Dairy Cheese.
English Plum Pudding—Foam Sauce.
Wine Jelly. Orange Marmalade.
Apples. Oranges. Nuts. Raisins.
Bananas. Assorted Cakes. Malaga Grapes.
Tea. Cane Molasses. Chocolate.
Sweet Cider.

AT GRACE CHURCH.

Fine Music at Christmas Services—Christmas Carols—Baptism to-morrow.

There were two services in Grace Church on Christmas day, with two celebrations, the first at 7:30 a. m., the second at 11 a. m. There was a good attendance. A full choir was present on both occasions and rendered the Christmas music admirably.

On Sunday evening the Christmas carols were sung in Grace Church. The members of the Waalkill Company were present in uniform. The rector gave an address to the children from the words "what manner of child shall this be."

To-morrow, Holy Innocents' Day, Grace Church will be opened for baptism at 4:30 p. m.

AN UNEXPECTED GUEST.

Pine Bush Family Party Made Merry in Consequence.

Dr. L. J. Merritt gave a family dinner party at his home at Pine Bush, Saturday, which was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Valentine X. Powell, of this city, the latter being a sister.

During the merriment of the day a sister of Dr. Merritt, who was present, became the mother of a bouncing boy.

First Presbyterian Sunday School's Christmas Entertainment.

The Christmas entertainment of the First Presbyterian Sunday School will be held in the lecture room, this evening. The congregation and friends of the school are cordially invited.

Christmas Gifts for Pastor Heath.

Rev. F. A. Heath, pastor of the First Baptist Church, received a beautiful typewriter desk from eighteen converts baptized Dec. 5th; also a handsome silver-mounted silk umbrella from his Juniors.

ONE CENT A WORD

for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

LOST—Pocket book on Academy avenue. Reward offered. Leave at this office. It.

HARMONY Council, American Legion of Honor, will give an entertainment and ball at Mannerbor Hall, New Year's Eve. Admission 25 cents. 30d5t.

ASSIGNEE'S Sale of Uncollected Book Accounts of the late firm of M. & R. Beebe will be held on Monday, Jan. 10th, 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the offices of Merrill & Burke, 57 North street.

GEO. E. CORWIN, Assignee.

FIRST Floor to let at No. 10 West Main street, suitable for dressmaking, milliner or office. 15d5t. Address Box 65, Goshen.

LADIES' and Gents' Suits and overcoats cleaned, dyed and pressed, gloves cleaned, ostrich plumes cleaned, dyed and curled. 50d3m Feb 2. J. A. AUSTIN, 93 Wickham Ave.

THE Klondike isn't in it with the bargains in second-hand goods at LOEVEN'S Store, 21 Monmouth avenue. 7d5y0c238.

THREE are many new designs in Watches, Clocks, jewelry, etc., for the season of '98. Call and examine them at A. M. AMBLER'S, 50 North street, next to Press office. Repairing a specialty at short notice and all work guaranteed. Engraving of all goods purchased free of charge. See other adv.

FIVE Christmas Presents—Violin \$2.50, mandolin \$1 to \$3, banjo \$2 to \$3, and extra fine zither and case, 52 strings, only \$5.50, seldom get a better instrument.

EXCHANGE AND MARK CO., No. 46 East Main street.

LOWER Part of house, 69 East avenue; lower part of house, with barn, 30 Canal street; lower part of house, with barn, 208 East Main street, for rent.

Enquire of P. CUMMINGS, 100 North street, or corner East Ave. and Fulton St. 78d5t.

PERFUMES in Bulk—Wardworth's best triple extra No. 1. Violets of Shyly, Blue Lilies, Jockey Club, Musk, Lily of the Valley, Crab Apple Blossom, Fraumanni, White Rose, Stephanotis, Honeysuckle, etc. We'll be pleased to show them to you.

CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from postoffice.

HOLIDAY SALE—We will sell all our felt, Chamille and Velvet Hats at a discount of 25 to 50 per cent. Also great reductions on birds, plumes, sweeps and fancy feathers. This is the last chance for stock and invite you to buy your hats here for Christmas gifts. See our stock of mens and womens hats. Bibtous sold cheap for fancy work.

MRS. RUSH, 144 North street.

SPLENDID line of elegant Pocket Powder (for the ladies) use in making Christmas gifts, composed of trailing arbutus, white rose, heliotrope, violet, blue lily, lily, champanne, jockey club, etc.

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10 Cts. a Pound Best Cream Cheese.

J. W. SLOAT'S Cheese Store,

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DIED.

McWILLIAMS—In this city, Dec. 26th, '97, after a brief sickness, Sarah H. Sands, wife of Edwin McWilliams, aged fifty two years. Funeral private, Wednesday afternoon, at two o'clock, at the residence, 25 John street. Relatives and intimate friends will please attend without further notice. Interment in family plot, Hillside Cemetery.

CRANE—At Purdy's Station, town of Walkkill, Dec. 26th, '97, of meningitis, Elsie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. D. Crane, aged four years, four months.

FURD O. ROCKAFELLOW, Funeral Director and Embalmer, 99 North street. Telephone No. 3. Lady assistant, New York office 184 East 33d street, with H. E. Taylor & Co.

KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, 42 West Main street, corner James, Middletown, N. Y. 50 Great Jones St., New York city. Lady assistant. Telephone Call No. 10.

JOHN DONOVAN, Undertaker and Embalmer, 124 North street. Please coaches to let. Telephone 16. Lady assistant. Open day and night.

DOUGHERTY & REILLY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 60 Cottage street, Middletown. Telephone 12, night and day. New York office, 62 Great Jones street. Also long distance telephone. Lady assistant.

D. OSTERHOUT, Undertaker and Embalmer, Lady assistant. Telephone 158, Middletown, N. Y. 40 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn. 48 Great Jones street, New York.

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